

August 7, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**APPROVE SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION IN RESPONSE TO THE FEDERAL
COMMUNITY ORIENTED POLICING SERVICES OFFICE'S ENHANCING
CULTURES OF INTEGRITY INITIATIVE SOLICITATION
(ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Authorize the Sheriff to submit a grant application to the Federal Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Office requesting a maximum of \$450,000, in federal funding, with no local match required, to advance and institutionalize large-scale police integrity projects through a program entitled, "Enhancing Cultures of Integrity Initiative."
2. Instruct the Chair of the Board of Supervisors to sign the following grant application documents: two (2) Certifications forms (Attachment 1), two (2) Community Policing Development Proposal Packet forms (Attachment 2), and two (2) Assurances forms (Attachment 3).

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Federal COPS Office has invited the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to apply for a maximum \$450,000 in federal grant funding and to participate in the Enhancing Cultures of Integrity Initiative. Should the COPS Office ultimately select and award this funding to the Department, the allocation will be utilized towards focusing on the development of a comprehensive strategy

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designed to assist the Department in responding pro-actively to issues of police integrity. Ultimately, the primary goal of the Enhancing Cultures of Integrity Initiative is to expand the COPS Offices' integrity initiatives. These initiatives, which have been in existence since 1996, are designed to create community policing environments that foster trust and mutual respect between law enforcement personnel and local residents.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals:

The Enhancing Cultures of Integrity Initiative grant program supports several goals within the County of Los Angeles' Strategic Plan. Specifically, the services to be provided under this potential funding source will assist the Department in achieving Goal One (1): Service Excellence, Goal Two (2): Workforce Excellence, and Goal Three (3) Organizational Effectiveness. With the grant funds being directed at pro-actively responding to issues of police integrity, not only will the Department increase their effectiveness with regards to this arena, but the respect held by the residents of Los Angeles County for the Department and its mission will also increase.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The COPS Offices' Enhancing Cultures of Integrity Initiative will potentially provide \$450,000 in grant funding to the Department's proposed project. Under this solicitation, the County of Los Angeles is not required to contribute any matching funds. Additionally, throughout its term, there will be no net County cost associated with this project.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The proposed program will be effective for two (2) years. The application documents have been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

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IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Should the Department be selected to receive the aforementioned grant award, there will be no negative impact on any of the Department's current services and/or projects. In the event the Department receives this funding, it will supplement the efficiency and effectiveness with which the Department's tasks and responsibilities are completed. Additionally, as mentioned above, this funding will assist in improving relations amongst the community and the Department.

CONCLUSION

Upon approval by your Board, the Department requests that your Board please provide four (4) individually adopted copies of this action and two (2) originally executed copies of the attached Certifications forms, Community Policing Development Proposal Packet forms, and Assurances forms to the Sheriff's Department's Grants Unit. The Department's contacts for this requested Board action are: Karen J. Anderson, Grants Manager, at (323) 526-5408 or Richard F. Martinez, Grants Coordinator, at (323) 526-5287.

Respectfully submitted,

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